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YOUTH: HEALTH-CARE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Kuujjuaq, March 5, 2014 – During the Executive Committee meeting, the chairpersons of the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (NRBHSS), the Ungava Tulattavik Health Centre (UTHC) and the Inuulitsivik Health Centre (IHC) voiced their sincere desire to ensure more Inuit workers in the field of health care. All three organizations want to emphasize the fact that work opportunities do not mean only nurses and doctors but much more.

"We would like for young Inuit to realize that when choosing their career path the health sector offers a variety of opportunities. It takes a lot of professionals to make sure our organizations function properly, such as archivists, directors of finance, liaison officers, laboratory technicians, mechanics, computer technicians and much more," stated Elisapi Uitungak, Chairperson of the NRBHSS.

More specifically, the NRBHSS will see to promoting employment and training opportunities for beneficiaries and will ensure that the signing parties to the ***James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement*** respect that commitment in accordance with Chapter 15**, section** 15.0.21, paragraph b) in providing employment and advancement opportunities for Native people in the fields of the health and social services, and providing special educational programs to overcome barriers to such employment and advancement.

Anyone interested in learning more about career opportunities in the health-care system can contact Donna Davies at 819-964-2222, extension 259.

The NRBHSS is a public agency created in 1978 under the **James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement**. *It is responsible for nearly the entire Québec territory located north of the 55th parallel in terms of the provision of health and social services for the inhabitants of the 14 communities.*

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